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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HIROAKI HOSHI ET AL.) Examiner: Thanh X. Luu
Application No.: 09/916,472) Group Art Unit: 2878
Filed: July 30, 2001)
For: IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS) January 23, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CHANGE

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's objection, as set forth in the Office Action of October 23, 2002, in the above-identified application, authorization to amend Fig. 4, by changing "1" to --1'-- is hereby requested.

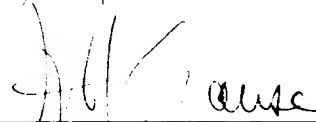
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